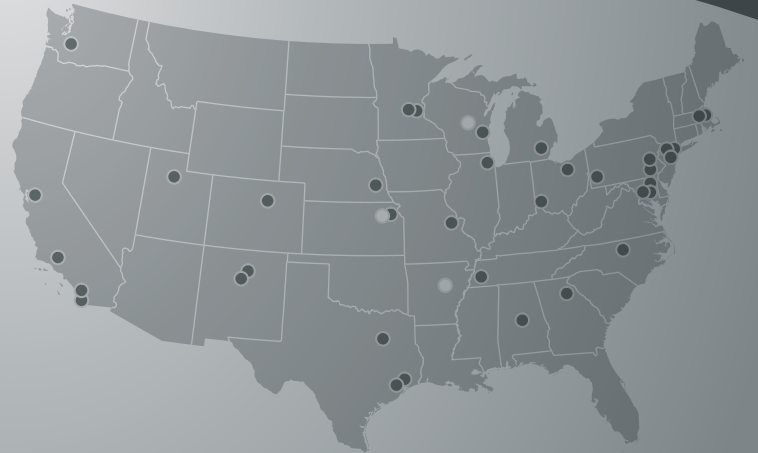


ACMEGS

AMERICAN CLINICAL MEG SOCIETY

ACMEGS is a non profit organization striving to ensure that all individuals who have neurological conditions receive the highest quality health care by offering magnetoencephalography that is affordable and accepted by insurance providers.



Magnetoencephalography is a completely noninvasive procedure that uses an array of highly sensitive sensors to detect and record the magnetic fields associated with electrical activity in the brain. There are many uses for MEG, including determination of the function of various parts of the brain and localizing epileptic activity.

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Services

Our objectives are to support MEG service providers with information on facility and business operations.

We do this by: Gathering MEG clinical service providers together for an annual symposium.

- Networking patients, physicians, and health care administrators with MEG providers.
- Acquainting clinical MEG providers with each other for information sharing.
- Educating ACMEGS members and other organizations about varying rules, regulations, and reimbursement matters that affect the success of MEG facilities in the United States.
- Initiating modification of public and private reimbursement policies, coding, legislation, and regulations that govern MEG and the delivery of high quality health care.
- Advocating for appropriate reimbursement of MEG services, outpatient fees, inpatient care, and technology in both public and private realms.
- Collaborating with American Clinical Neurophysiology Society (ACNS), National Association of Epilepsy Centers (NAES), American Academy of Neurology (AAN), American College of Radiology, American Epilepsy Society (AES), and Epilepsy Foundation (EF) on matters affecting patient care.
- Working with other organizations on new applications of MEG to improve the health of all patients who would benefit from this technology.

Benefits of membership

- ACMEGS organizes and sponsors a yearly clinical and economic workshop that highlights recent changes in the finances of a new or growing clinical MEG site.
- ACMEGS creates a clinical MEG community, both online and in the real world.
- ACMEGS acts as the united voice of clinical MEG centers and maintains a national focus in the areas of clinical guidelines, government regulation and third party reimbursement.
- ACMEGS is continually seeking opportunities to promote the specialized services of MEG centers, and to improve coverage and payment for services in both the public and private insurance arenas. Acting on behalf of clinical MEG centers, the ACMEGS directs efforts in the establishment of CPT codes and relative values, Medicare coverage policies, and public health programs to encourage early intervention, accurate diagnosis and comprehensive treatment for patients.
- ACMEGS maintains relationships with key government, scientific and charitable organizations and decision makers on matters affecting patient care.



For the benefit of our members, ACMEGS sustains a solid working relationship with public and private organizations that affect access of individuals to MEG and high quality health care: United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) epilepsy program, Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organization (JCAHCO), and Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).

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